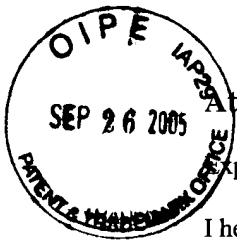


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 27, 2005, the Examiner requested that the Applicants elect among the following groups of claims:

Group I: Claims 1-8, 9-15, 24-34 drawn to method and using an asset management application to determine probability of failure, classified in class 702, subclass 181.

Group II: Claims 16-23, drawn to asset management method and system using a database, classified in class 707, subclass 102.

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, Group I, which includes Claims 1-8, 9-15, 24-34, for prosecution on the merits.

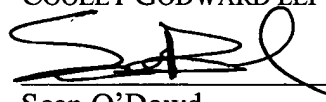
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